

**ARKANSAS PROFESSIONAL BAIL BOND COMPANY AND PROFESSIONAL
BAIL BONDSMAN LICENSING BOARD**

May 13, 2005

Chairman Don Smith called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll call was taken. The following members were present: Rex Morris, Frank Sturgeon, Phyllis Carruth, Don Smith, Eugene Reynolds and Marc Oudin. Also present were Assistant Attorney General, Chilesa Ready, Executive Director, Tommy Reed, Board staff and members of the audience.

Following a review of the Board Minutes for April 8, 2005, Mr. Sturgeon moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Oudin seconded. The motion carried on voice vote with none opposed.

OLD BUSINESS

Transfers/Suspensions/Reinstatements:

A report was provided for information purposes: Five (5) transfer requests were submitted and approved during the month. There were two (2) agent suspensions due to termination and two (2) agent revocations due to felony convictions (see "Informal Hearing Recap" herein). Chairman Smith invited comment or discussion. There was none and the Board proceeded.

Forfeitures - Open:

The Open Forfeiture Report was presented. The Chair invited comment or discussion. Hearing none, the Chair called for motions. Ms. Carruth moved to suspend those licensees whose forfeitures were not timely paid between April 8, 2005 and May 13, 2005. Mr. Sturgeon seconded. The motion was put to a voice vote and carried with all in favor.

Past Due Forfeitures:

The Past Due Forfeiture Report was presented for review. Chairman Smith invited questions, comments or discussion. There were none and the Board proceeded.

Re: Application processing time

The Board reviewed and discussed a memo provided by Mr. Reed regarding whether an agent could be given a "provisional" license that would allow the agent to conduct bail bond business pending the Board's receipt of the FBI criminal records check. Based on the conclusion of the memo, the Board determined to continue the current practice of "tentative" approval providing for licensing upon receipt of the criminal records check.

NEW BUSINESS

April Vouchers Paid & Financial Report:

Chairman Smith invited questions and/or discussion regarding the vouchers paid in April. Hearing none, the Board proceeded to review the March financial report.

Informal Hearing Recap:

The Board was provided a summary of two informal hearings conducted by the Executive Director and advised that the individuals had thirty days to appeal to the Board for a formal hearing.

The Board was provided a memo from counsel, Chilesa Ready updating the status of appeals: *APBBLB #04-012*, *APBBLB v. Will Oliver/Liz Frawley Bail Bonds, Inc.*

The transcript has been filed; currently awaiting Appellant's brief.
APBBLB #04-025, *Hannah Ryan v. Bobby H. Cox, III, et al*

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Company Application – Triple R Bail Bonds, Inc.:

Mr. Reed reported that all paperwork had been received and was in order. Mr. Jeremy Rowell, president of Triple R Bail Bonds, Inc, was present and answered questions from the Board. Mr. Oudin moved to approve the application. Mr. Sturgeon seconded. The motion carried on a voice vote with none opposed.

License Approvals:

Six (6) license applications were submitted for Board approval. The Chair called for discussion or comments. Ms. Carruth moved to approve those applications presented. Mr. Sturgeon seconded. The Chair called for discussion or comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote. The motion carried with none opposed.

Three (3) tentative license applications were submitted for Board approval. The Chair called for discussion or comments. Mr. Sturgeon moved to approve those applications presented, pending receipt of necessary documentation. Ms. Carruth seconded. The Chair called for discussion or comments. Hearing none, the motion was put to a vote. The motion carried with none opposed.

The Board turned next to consideration of the application of Donnie Savage. Mr. Savage was present with counsel, John Walker. After considerable discussion, Mr. Sturgeon moved to table the application pending receipt of additional documentation from Mr. Savage.

The Board turned next to consideration of the application of Rebecca Walker. Ms. Walker was present and answered questions regarding certain misdemeanor convictions appearing on her criminal record. Ms. Walker explained that most of the charges related to marital problems with her (now) ex-husband. She pointed out the charges occurred approximately 8 years ago and that she had not had any further charges since that time. The Board discussed a written statement from Rebecca Walker, Saline County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, that "I would not license this person." After discussion, Mr. Oudin moved to deny Ms. Walker's application. Mr. Sturgeon seconded. The matter was put to a vote. The motion carried with none opposed.

Public Comments:

Chairman Smith opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted for approval:

This 10th day of June, 2005 _____
Don Smith, Chairman